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SENATOR JONES: They can do it or not do.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Yeah.

SENATOR JONES: I guess my concern in my county, is what I'm hearing, they're just trying to figure out how to give them money just to operate on, and I'm wondering how they're going to come up with that \$100. I guess that's my concern on it, because you say they can have a waiver, but sooner or later it's got to be paid.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Not...not if they keep getting a waiver from the state board, they would not have...or the state board, they would not have to pay it.

SENATOR JONES: But their retirement wouldn't build up without it, would it?

SENATOR HARTNETT: It's not a re...well, we call it awards program, but it's...they would not...it would...they only...there'd only be a contribution of \$250.

SENATOR JONES: I see. So the state would still have to divvy up their part?

SENATOR HARTNETT: Yeah.

SENATOR JONES: Even if the county couldn't.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Yeah.

SENATOR JONES: Okay. Thank you. I understand now, thank you.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Jones. Senator Wehrbein to speak to the Hartnett amendment.

SENATOR WEHPBEIN: Madam Speaker, members, this is perhaps unfortunate. I don't want the firemen to think that I'm picking on them, but it's an issue that we've got to come to, and I...I know what's work...going on around on this, especially on the sales tax. But I...if you look ahead two years, with modest increases in special ed, (LB) 806, K-12 aid, developmental